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PRESS ADVISORY * PRESS ADVISORY *PRESS ADVISORY **Kick-Off of 42nd Annual Troy Turkey Trot**

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(November 16, 2005- TROY)- The City of Troy, Mayor Harry J Tutunjian, and numerous other “gobbler dignitaries” will join together on Thursday morning for the kickoff to the 42nd Annual Troy Turkey Trot.

The press conference will be held Thursday morning at 10 a.m. in front of City Hall and include a mock race from several mascots angling to capture the right of “race starter,” for the Turkey Trot, one of the largest road races in the United States on Thanksgiving Day.

Turkey Day in Troy will feature four big races including a 1.5 mile Turkey Walk and a 1-mile grade school run. There is the world famous 5K run that begins at 9:15 a.m., and for the second year in a row, The Troy Turkey Trot 10k will be host to the Adirondack Association open men's and women's 10k road race championships. Adirondack membership is required for championship awards. Separate USATF Adirondack Association awards will be awarded to the top individual male and female athletes and to the top club team athletes.

“The Turkey Trot is one of our more famous events, and each year we strive to bring in thousands of new people to Troy for Thanksgiving,” Tutunjian said. “This year we have the same goal, to provide a family friendly event for all our residents and special guests.”

Again this year to make the registration process more convenient and runner friendly, participants have the option to register online at www.active.com by **November 18th** at or before 4:00pm Eastern Standard Time or 1:00pm Pacific Standard Time.

Any questions about the Trot can be answered by calling the Gobbler Hotline, at 235-8993, or by visiting the City’s website at www.troyny.gov

All members of the media are encouraged to attend the event and help spread the word about a fun-filled Thanksgiving Day in Troy.